

# PLYMOUTH BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2016

MAYFLOWER ROOM, TOWN HALL

## 7:00pm Executive Session

The Board of Selectmen held an Executive Session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 21, Paragraph 3; to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair declares, and Paragraph 6; to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

- ❖ Veolia Litigations
- ❖ Fire Fighter Litigations
- ❖ Superior Officers

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## 8:33PM - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tavares returned to Open Session and called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Kenneth A. Tavares, Chairman  
Anthony F. Provenzano Jr., Vice Chairman  
John Mahoney  
David Malaguti  
Sean Page

Melissa Arrighi, Town Manager  
Derek Brindisi, Assistant Town Manager

Before the meeting began, Chairman Tavares asked the Board and the audience to join him in a moment of silence in honor of the victims of the Brussels terror attacks that took place earlier in the day. He expressed that this should be a reminder to all of what truly is important and said our thoughts are with Brussels.

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## 8:35PM - TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

### New Town Hall:

Melissa Arrighi, Town Manager, began her report by updating the Board on the progress of the New Town Hall construction. She presented pictures of the excavation for the new building and explained that the depth was in order to have vaults and the boiler room below ground level. She also stated that the Town would maintain some of their older records in the current Town Hall basement.

Mrs. Arrighi then went on to show the current renovations of the 1820 Court House. She highlighted a vault that has been sealed since 1891 which contained historical books and records.

John Mahoney, Selectman, mentioned that he had attended a meeting at the construction site and suggested that the Board plan a trip to the site possibly after Town Meeting.

Sewer Update:

Mrs. Arrighi then talked about the Sewer Project saying that the cleaning of the pipes should be completed by the end of the week. She said that they found significant amounts of sludge and debris, which was much more than expected. She finished by saying the design for the Sliplines were being finalized as well.

Library Program:

Melissa Arrighi then told the Board about an exciting program at the Public Library designed to improve children's reading skills called Read to s Dog. She explained this program is run one Saturday per month from 10:30am to 12:30pm. Children 6 years and older can register for this free program, as space is limited, to sit for 15 minutes sessions and read to one of the guest Therapy Dogs and their trainer. She mentioned that registration opens two weeks before the event and the next scheduled dates were April 16<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

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**8:40PM - PUBLIC COMMENT**

Everett Malaguti came to the podium and asked if Article 27 – Ground Mounted Solar, would be able to be presented to the Board again before Town Meeting to which Chairman Tavares said he would put it on the Agenda for next Tuesday's Meeting.

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**8:41PM – TOWN MEETING ARTICLES**

**Article 10**

To see of the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation to establish an "Environmental Affairs Fund" as follows; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and authorizing the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition:

Melissa Arrighi, Town Manager, explained that this Article, previously approved by the Board of Selectmen, was unanimously turned down by the Finance Committee and asked the Board of Selectmen to approve making a motion to approve at Town Meeting.

Selectman Mahoney spoke in favor of Article 10 saying that he attended the CPC Meeting the week before and it was a lively debate to say the least. He stated that the Article was warmly received by many but hoped to find a middle ground so he suggested rather than all funds going into the Environmental Affairs Fund that 75% go into the EAF and 25% go into the General Fund.

On a motion by John Mahoney and seconded by Sean Page, the Board approved making a motion at Town Meeting to approve Article 10 with a 75/25 split as suggested. *Voted 5/0*

## Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for the purchase and acquisition of land for general municipal purposes, and to design, construct, and equip a new Fire Station thereon, including all costs incidental and related thereto; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any other action necessary to carry out the purposes of this article; or take any other action relative thereto. (*No Motion No Action*)

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## **8:45PM – LICENSES AND ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES**

### LICENSES

On a motion by David Malaguti and seconded by Anthony Provenzano Jr, the Board approved a One Day Wine and Malt License for **Loretta LaRoche Productions**, 50 Court Street, Erik Christensen, Manager, for a Music Show being held on April 2, 2016 from 7:00pm to 11:00pm at Studio G, 30 Shops at 5 Way. *Voted 5/0*

On a motion by Sean Page and seconded by Anthony Provenzano Jr, the Board approved a One Day Wine and Malt License for **Postcards From Heaven**, Bridgewater, Kelly, Scriven, for an event with Medium Maureen Hancock being held on April 16, 2016 from 5:30pm to 9:30pm at Pilgrim Hall. *Voted 5/0*

On a motion by David Malaguti and seconded by Anthony Provenzano Jr, the Board approved a One Day Wine and Malt License for **Quincy College**, 36 Cordage Park Circle, Mary Burke, for a After Business Hours event being held on March 31, 2016 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. *Voted 5/0*

On a motion by Anthony Provenzano Jr and seconded by Sean Page, the Board approved a One Day All Alcohol License for **America's Hometown Thanksgiving Celebration**, 10 Cordage Park Circle, Olly deMacedo, for a Drum and Bugle Concert being held on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 5:30pm to 10:30pm at Memorial Hall. *Voted 5/0*

On a motion by Anthony Provenzano Jr and seconded by Sean Page, the Board approved a One Day All Alcohol License for **America's Hometown Thanksgiving Celebration**, 10 Cordage Park Circle, Olly deMacedo, for a VIP Reception and Patriotic Concert being held on November 18, 2016 from 5:00pm to 10:30pm at Memorial Hall. *Voted 5/0*

### ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

On a motion by David Malaguti and seconded by John Mahoney, the Board approved the Open Meeting Minutes from March 1, 2016 and March 8, 2016. *Voted 5/0*  
(*Selectman Sean Page Abstained From Approving the Minutes of March 8, 2016*)

On a motion by Sean Page and seconded by Anthony Provenzano Jr, the Board appointed Nancy Martin to the Board of Registrars for a term beginning April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2019. *Voted 5/0*

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**8:47pm - COMMITTEE LIAISON / DESIGNEE UPDATES**

Selectman John Mahoney acknowledged the resignation of Richard Rothstein from the Nuclear Matters Committee. He described Mr. Rothstein as a passionate and technical person who served on the committee for a decade and served as Chairman for the past 2 years. Mr. Mahoney expressed that it is tremendous loss to the committee.

Ken Tavares stated that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Rothstein from the Board.

Selectman Sean Page mentioned that with the nice weather approaching that Burial Hill will be moving forward soon. He said that Ted Bubbins, Superintendent of Cemeteries, will present a Policy and Procedures Document to the Board of Selectmen before adding it the Burial Hill Agenda.

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**8:49PM - OLD BUSINESS / LETTERS / NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Tavares said that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts was ready to appoint volunteers for the 400th Celebrations set for 2020. He asked if any of the Selectmen would like to step up.

Selectman Mahoney asked Mr. Tavares to give a synopsis of the volunteer position.

Chairman Tavares said it's a prestigious position that is appointed by the Governor. He stated that he believed there were 15 seats open and that the responsibilities include gaining support and assistance within the Common Wealth for the 2020 Celebrations and that the appointment would end after 2020.

Both Selectman Mahoney and Selectman Provenzano volunteered for the position and said they would discuss it at a later date.

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**8:52PM - ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Anthony Provenzano Jr and seconded by John Mahoney, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting and not reconvene into Executive Session. *Voted 5/0*

*By Roll Call: Tavares-Yes, Provenzano-Yes, Mahoney-Yes, Page-Yes, Malaguti-Yes*

Recorded by: Christopher Badot  
*Administrative Assistant, Board of Selectmen*